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BREAKFAST WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY CARLUCCI

26 JUNE 1981

AGENDA

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Report on Deputy Secretary Carlucci's Trip to
the Middle East

SA-7 Production and Stockpile

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : Robert M. Gates

SUBJECT : Breakfast with Deputy Secretary Carlucci, 26 June

1. The primary subject for discussion at the breakfast will be Frank's trip to the Middle East. He would like to debrief both of you on his conversations and impressions.

2. Two additional subjects are on the agenda:

-- Unclassified information for the Europeans on the Soviet threat:

After hearing John Hughes' briefing a few weeks ago, several of the European leaders expressed regret that much of that information could not be made available at the secret level for them to share with other members of their governments and at an unclassified level for them to use in educating the public. Secretary Weinberger promised to be as helpful as he could. This promise seems to have been translated by some into a request that satellite photography of the SS-20 be declassified and made available. As you are already aware, most senior officials in the Intelligence Community object strongly to release of such photography. However, after talking with [] it appears that the issue is broader and also one to which we can be more responsive. In the paper at Tab B, [] has forwarded a list of the different kinds of items that Defense apparently believes would be useful to provide to the Europeans on an unclassified basis. The memorandum at Tab A indicates where we can be helpful and will serve as your talking points for your meeting both with Carlucci and with Secretary Haig next week.

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Both State and Defense are pressing us--and you--on this fairly hard. They and their European counterparts are feeling very strongly the need to educate the European public as to the Soviet threat. I do not think we can give them a flat turn-down and, fortunately, the expanded list provided by [] gives us the flexibility to be fairly forthcoming. Even so, we will still have a hard time giving them satisfaction on the SS-20.

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-- Finally, Frank may mention to you that they are ready to start talking about how a net assessment might be done to follow NIE 11-3/8--in keeping with the terms of the agreement reached

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a couple of weeks ago. Frank probably will say that Andy Marshall will be their representative to begin working out some of the procedural as well as substantive details and will ask you for the DCI's representative. I have talked to John McMahon and he recommends that you put forward NIO/Strategic Programs as the Intelligence Community representative.

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Robert M. Gates

LATE ITEMS:

Addition to number 1 (Carlucci trip):

-- Frank will be interested in a report on SA-7 production and stockpile. The report at Tab C was prepared by

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DCI Talking Points for Use with Deputy Secretary of Defense and
Secretary of State

Background: The impetus for the declassification of imagery of the Soviet SS-20 system stems from the April DoD briefing of the NATO Nuclear Planning Group. Subsequently, additional pressure came from the heads of the German, Norwegian, Dutch, Canadian, Italian and Belgian delegations to the NATO Special Consultative Group with continuing pressure on the US Government from many European capitols. All are concerned with a means of graphically demonstrating to their governments and the general public the Soviet threat to the NATO countries and the need to counter that threat through the NATO modernization program. DoD has proposed a list of visual data for use in an unclassified arena, including imagery of the SS-20 (Tab A)

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